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*Summary of plague laboratory work during the month of April, 1909.*

Assistant Surgeon Chapin, plague laboratory, reports, May 5, through Passed Assistant Surgeon Glover:

During the month of April, 1909, 4,083 rats were delivered at the laboratory and 4,004 were necropsied. No plague-infected rats were found. Two hundred and thirty-seven fleas were found upon 32 rats examined. Twenty-six rats were subjected to cultural and inoculation tests on account of lesions suggesting a remote possibility of an incipient or a typical plague infection, but with negative results.

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY, STATES AND CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES—UNTABULATED.

CALIFORNIA—*San Diego*.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 42,500. Total number of deaths, 48, including 4 from tuberculosis. Cases: Measles 3, and scarlet fever 2.

*City and county of San Francisco*.—Month of March, 1909. Estimated population, 475,000. Total number of deaths, 579, including enteric fever 6, measles 11, scarlet fever 3, whooping cough 2, diphtheria 4, and 100 from tuberculosis. Cases: Diphtheria 65, scarlet fever 66, smallpox 3, measles 368, whooping cough 37, enteric fever 21, and tuberculosis 186.

FLORIDA—*Pensacola*.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 30,000. Total number of deaths, 22, including enteric fever 1, and 3 from tuberculosis.

ILLINOIS—*Alton*.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 22,000. Total number of deaths, 14, including 1 from enteric fever. Cases: Diphtheria 1, and smallpox 2.

*Peoria*.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 80,000. Total number of deaths not reported. Deaths reported from contagious diseases were: Scarlet fever 1, diphtheria 2, measles 3, whooping cough 1, and 8 from tuberculosis. Cases: Smallpox 44, and scarlet fever 6.

IOWA—*Ottumwa*.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 25,000. Total number of deaths, 30; cause of deaths not reported. Cases: Measles 3, whooping cough 4, and tuberculosis 3.

KANSAS.—Month of February, 1909. Estimated population, 1,470,495. Total number of deaths from contagious and infectious diseases, 115. Causes of death: Tuberculosis 82, enteric fever 11, diphtheria 11, scarlet fever 7, and 4 from measles. Cases: Tuberculosis 134, enteric fever 35, diphtheria 82, scarlet fever 186, smallpox 358, and measles 562.

LOUISIANA—*New Orleans*.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 362,000 (white, 265,000; colored, 97,000). Total number of deaths, 534 (white, 321; colored, 213), including enteric fever 5, scarlet fever 9, diphtheria 3, whooping cough 4, and 74 from tuber-

culosis. Annual death rate per 1,000 for the month: White, 14.53; colored, 26.35. Total white and colored, 17.68.

NEW YORK STATE.—Month of March, 1909. Estimated population, 8,699,643. Total number of deaths, 13,111, corresponding to an annual death rate of 18.1 per 1,000 of population; including enteric fever 77, smallpox 1, measles 140, scarlet fever 147, whooping cough 65, diphtheria 246, and 1,553 from tuberculosis. Cases: Tuberculosis 3,097, diphtheria 2,118, scarlet fever 3,175, measles 6,870, smallpox 32, and enteric fever 389.

Auburn.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 40,000. Total number of deaths, 45, including whooping cough 1, and 5 from tuberculosis. Cases of contagious diseases reported: Diphtheria 2, enteric fever 1, scarlet fever 1, whooping cough 5, phthisis pulmonalis 5.

Buffalo.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 415,532. Total number of deaths, 477, including diphtheria 6, scarlet fever 13, enteric fever 5, and 57 from tuberculosis. Cases: Enteric fever 11, scarlet fever 343, diphtheria 41, measles 40, whooping cough 26, and tuberculosis 80.

Rome.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 18,500. Total number of deaths, 55, including diphtheria 2, and 8 from tuberculosis. Cases: Scarlet fever 2, diphtheria 13, enteric fever 1, whooping cough 7.

NORTH CAROLINA—Charlotte.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 40,000. Total number of deaths, 42, including whooping cough 1, measles 2, and 5 from tuberculosis. Cases of contagious diseases reported: Measles 76, and whooping cough 4.

OHIO—Toledo.—Month of March, 1909. Estimated population, 195,888. Total number of deaths, 169, including diphtheria 2, enteric fever 4, scarlet fever 1, and 20 from tuberculosis. Cases of contagious diseases reported: Diphtheria 16, measles 14, scarlet fever 18, enteric fever 40, and tuberculosis 2.

OREGON—Portland.—Month of March, 1909. Estimated population, 255,000. Total number of deaths, 169, including diphtheria 1, whooping cough 1, enteric fever 1, and 18 from tuberculosis. Cases: Diphtheria 17, measles 231, whooping cough 5, scarlet fever 53, smallpox 9, and enteric fever 10.

UTAH—Salt Lake City.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 85,000. Total number of deaths from all causes, 123, including diphtheria 2, scarlet fever 9, enteric fever 2, and 9 from tuberculosis. Cases: Diphtheria 25, whooping cough 38, measles 10, smallpox 37, scarlet fever 83, and tuberculosis 1.